95 Babcock Street Brookline, MA 02446 December 14, 2016

Zoning Board of Appeals Town of Brookline 333 Washington Street Brookline, MA 02445

RE: 384 Harvard Street

We are writing this letter in support of the 40B project proposed for 384 Babcock Street. As longtime Coolidge Corner residents, we have been dismayed and upset by the number, size, and inappropriateness of the many 40B proposals facing our Town.

However, 384 Harvard Street is the type of 40B project the Town should support. Affordable senior housing is a critical need in Brookline. This project, shepherded by a partnership between JCHE and Kehillath Israel, would be a step towards meeting this need. The project is contextually appropriate for the neighborhood in terms of size and scale. Its objectives align with those of the Town. It will not put demands on our schools. Its mission is admirable and achievable and will benefit the Town.

We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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